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**Petition For Extension of Time Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)(1)**

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Sir:

It is hereby requested that the period for replying to the outstanding Office Action be extended two (2) months from **May 5, 2003 to July 7, 2003** (July 5, 2003 being a Saturday) by the filing of this Petition and fee payment.

The petition fee (37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a)) is believed to be **\$205.00** for a two (2) month extension for a small entity. Fee payment is provided in our accompanying PTO-2038 Credit Card Payment Form. However, if extensions of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 other than those provided herewith are required to prevent abandonment of the present patent application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned.

The U.S. Patent and Trademark Office is hereby authorized to charge any fee deficiency, or credit any overpayment, to our Deposit Account No. 19-0036.

Respectfully submitted,

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